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**The Massachusetts Highway Department and
Department of Conservation and Recreation**

Invite you to a

Public Information Meeting

for the

Longfellow Bridge Rehabilitation Project

**Thursday, November 5, 2009
6:00-8:00 PM**

**Shriners Hospitals for Children, Auditorium
51 Blossom Street, Boston, MA**

The purpose of this meeting is to provide a project update and present details of the **Bridge Preservation Contract**, which will be advertised in November 2009. There are three elements to this early preservation work: (1) pilot work on the granite masonry and piers, beginning with pier 1 near the median; (2) sandblasting and cleaning the steel ribs, both to clean and prepare them for later work and to assess the need for any major repairs; and (3) relocation of utilities beneath the bridge to prepare for Phase 1 of the project. The preservation contract is a smaller part of the larger Longfellow Bridge Rehabilitation Project. The public will have an opportunity to ask questions and provide input on the preservation phase of work for the rehabilitation of the Longfellow Bridge over the Charles River.

The Massachusetts Highway Department (MassHighway) and the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) have jointly undertaken this major project to restore and rehabilitate the historic Longfellow Bridge across the Charles River. The project includes meeting Federal Highway Administration standards to improve safety and accessibility for pedestrians, bicyclists and automobile traffic, and to meet Americans With Disabilities Act standards. Improved lighting and safety rails are also planned.

If you have questions or would like more information about the project, please contact Mike O'Dowd, MassHighway Project Manager, at 617-973-7475. To be added to the project distribution list, please contact Stephanie Boundy, Accelerated Bridge Program Public Outreach Coordinator, at 617-626-1487 or stephanie.boundy@state.ma.us. The Shriners Hospitals Auditorium is accessible.

** This meeting was previously scheduled for October 29, but rescheduled due to an unforeseen conflict.*

